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REMARKS

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on February 16, 2007 and Advisory Action mailed on April 17, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration. Applicants would like to thank Examiner for the interviews held on April 30, May 9, and May 15, 2007 to discuss distinctions between the pending claims and cited references. Claims 1-7, 9, 10, 12-19, 21, 22, 25, 26 and 28-37 are pending in this Application and independent claims 1, 13, 25 and 29 have been amended. Support for such amendments can be found in Applicants' Specification at pages 2-4 and 16. Applicants believe that the claims as presented are in condition for allowance. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested.

35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-7, 9, 10, 12-19, 21, 22, 25, 26 and 28-35 stand rejected under **35 U.S.C. §103** as being obvious over U.S. Patent No. 5,951,652 to Ingrassia Jr, et al. (hereinafter Ingrassia) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,230,171 to Pacifici et al. (hereinafter Pacifici) and U.S. Patent No. 5,774,670 to Montulli.

Like other conventional systems, Ingrassia relies on a tracking server to manage and track activities of participating browsers in a collaboration session. (See Col. 6, Lines 12-27) Ingrassia's tracking server collects and analyzes the information about the interactions between all browsers. (See Col. 9, Lines 55-59) The tracking server records such information from all browsers via the use of applets which relay browser updates to the tracking server. (See Abstract) Instead of receiving **complete** state information from **a client system**, an activity report of browser updates is created at the tracking server. (See Abstract) Thus, Ingrassia does not **capture complete state information at the client system, including state information created before the initiation of a collaboration session**, as recited in amended independent claims 1,13, 25 and 29.

Applicants' invention captures browser state information **at the client computer system itself** to provide a server with a **complete** snapshot of the state of the browser process occurring **immediately prior to initiation of a collaboration session**. Other examples of such state information which does not exist within a conventional collaboration server **at the start of a collaboration session** may include any cookies within the participant browser, any time sensitive data related to a web page on display within the participant browser, or any other participant supplied information that may be of use in the collaboration session. Finally, both Montulli and Pacifici are also completely silent as to **capturing complete state information on a client system, including state information created before the initiation of a collaboration session**.

In view of all the above, neither Ingrassia, Montulli nor Pacifici, individually or in combination, teach applicants' invention. Thus, the Examiner's rejections are believed to have been overcome placing the claims in condition for allowance and reconsideration and allowance thereof is respectfully requested.

Applicants hereby petitions for any extension of time which is required to maintain the pendency of this case. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-3735.

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If the enclosed papers or fees are considered incomplete, the Patent Office is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (508) 616-9660, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

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